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A RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION BY THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A FIFTEEN MEMBER TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A PERMANENT SOLUTION TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND PARK CRUISING IN NEIGHBORHOODS BORDERING THE PUBLIC PARKS OF MADDOX, MOZLEY, AND WASHINGTON PARKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas, the neighborhoods that border the public parks Mozley, Washington , and Maddox are adversely impacted during the spring and summer months with heavy vehicular traffic, and

Whereas, this traffic congestion poses a threat to the safety and well being of the citizens that live in these neighborhoods because of traffic gridlock, illegal driving and parking practices in and out of the public right of way, and

Whereas, emergency vehicles traveling the right of ways that border the parks cannot travel without interference and as a result, risk the lives of citizens requiring critical emergency care. Additionally, the traffic gridlock impedes access to the respective communities and renders the parks inaccessible to those residents, and

Whereas, the increased incidents of lawlessness because of the uncontrolled use of the aforementioned parks promote environments that depreciates value of real property, and

Whereas, Police, Fire, Parks and Recreation, should coordinate their operations proactively to address the needs of these impacted communities, and

Section 1. Create a fifteen-member taskforce that will be comprised of representatives from NPU J and K, Council Districts 3 and 4, Police, Fire, and Parks and Recreation, and members of the community :

One representative from each Neighborhood Planning Units J and K,

Two representatives from each Council District 3 and 4

One representative from Police, Fire, and Parks and Recreation Departments

Two representatives from each of the following communities:

Mozley Park Community, Washington Park Community, Hunter Hills Community

Section 2. The goal of this taskforce is to discuss the existing operational plan of Police, Fire, Parks, and Recreation Departments in attempt to expand and implement a permanent resolution to this problem.

Section 3. Establish a partnership between city departments to develop a permanent resolution to the problem based on input received from residents and stakeholders impacted by the problems surrounding Mozley, Maddox, and Washington Parks.